

Ink Stings.

Backward on backward, O Time in thy flight, Give us the Centennial again, just for one night.

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As they haven't seen it yet they evidently figured that it cost too much to go in.

Mr. HANNA has announced his campaign advisory committee, but a microscopic examination of the list has failed to discover any name that looked like QUAY.

England's declaring the war over in South Africa doesn't make it so when the Boers are all there yet and have nearly all of their big guns and millions of stands of rifles.

The Board of Health in Manila has reported that there are thirty thousand lepers in the Philippines.

Statistics are being used to show that the value of hogs has advanced \$3 per head within the past six months.

Even after the allied forces get up to the great wall that surrounds the Chinese capitol they will have some tall work out of them.

When HENRY LABOUCHERE'S London Truth can say "nor would we be surprised if, in view of their continued prosperity, our American cousins were to act as our bankers in the future, in a good many instances," it is not time for us to let our English cousins understand that it is not for them to dictate the kind of money we will do the banking with.

When McKINLEY became President of the United States, four years ago, we were at peace with the world.

After the rescue of the Americans in China and the settlement of the indemnity American troops should be withdrawn as speedily as they were sent there.

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The Baltimore American thinks that, if for nothing else, President McKINLEY deserves to live in history as one of the nation's greatest Executives, because of the number of truly great men he has discovered and brought to the front.

The movement that has been instituted by the Grand Army of the Republic to change Memorial day from May 30th to the last Sunday in May was probably inaugurated because of the growing tendency to make it a gala day for sportsmen, rather than a period of mourning and eulogium for those who have laid their lives on their country's altar.

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Working for a Bell Wether.

Republican managers evidently believe the people vote, as sheep run in flocks, after a "bell wether."

If it is not the belief of those who control the management of the Republican campaign, if there is not some basis for presuming that there is a good deal in having a "bell wether" to induce the balance of the flock to follow.

That Maine is a hide-bound and undisputable Republican State, none but a political idiot would think of denying.

But Republican politicians think it will and are laboring to point to Maine as the weather vane of this presidential contest.

With innumerable local slang-whangers, who are expected to abuse the Democracy and glorify McKINLEY at every cross roads, they have arranged for an army of outside speakers, such as has never invaded any State and carried brass and bewildered to any people.

With such efforts and such expenditures there should be no question about the majority they may have to show.

But why should this influence intelligent people, unless the "bell wether" theory is correct?

Of all the States in the Union the action of Maine on political matters should have less influence on the general public than that of any other.

They are anti-American at heart, by education and by absorption. In the nature of things they couldn't be anything but Republicans and Imperialists.

With less to boast of their own work; with less to point to in the way of statesmanship or political advancement; with less to show for any industry, enterprise or intelligence on the part of its people;

As a "bell wether" Maine may do to lead Republicanism, as taught and practiced by McKINLEY.

Word comes from Lancaster, Ky., to the effect that a deaf mute has recovered her power of speech by the process of spanking through which her mother was putting her on Thursday.

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A Few Changes that Would Make Bryan President.

Few persons who have not gone to the trouble of looking over the returns of 1896 carefully will realize what a slight change at that time would have made Mr. BRYAN President of the United States.

In 1896, when the world resounded with the gloating triumph of the gold over the silver issues, the victory seemed overwhelming, but in reality it was not so great.

The amount paid out for pensions during that period was \$138,462,172, or 24 per cent of the amount of revenue received.

The amount expended by the War and Navy Departments for the same time was \$190,743,980, or 33 1/2 per cent of the total revenues.

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The money question is settled. It can not possibly be taken up for six years to come, because the political complexion of the United States Senate cannot be changed before that time.

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ASTONISHING FACTS ABOUT MILITARY EXPENDITURES.

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Against Imperialism and McKinley.

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Spawls from the Keystone.

Bains were general all over the central part of the State yesterday. While not near enough, the fall was sufficient for temporary relief.

John L. Wheeler died near DuBoistown, Wednesday, aged 70 years.

Michael Kirsch Sr., who resides near Spangler, is believed to be the oldest and best bicycle rider for his age in Cambria county.

Dr. David W. Conaghy, aged 72 years, died at Latrobe Friday morning.

Martin, the 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kirsch, living about a mile from Nicktown, Cambria county, met with a serious accident Tuesday last week.

Miss Anna Miller, of Durward, Juniata county, is likely to go blind, the result of wiping her eye with her hand, while working among parsnips.

The 1-year-old son of Charles Gehring, of Greensburg, was the victim of painful burns.

D. C. Rannels has brought suit against the Pennsylvania railroad company to recover damages for the loss of his stock of goods in the store building which was burned early in the spring at Port Royal.

Two remarkably large bass have been caught within the last week near Clearfield.

The surveying party on the Hopkins reservation, Clinton county, has reached a point on the southern boundary of the Pades lands.

White Mrs. Jacob Thomas, of near Paktown, was standing on a chair to reach the upper shelves of the kitchen cupboard a few days ago.

White Charles E. Goldsmith and another young man of McConnellsburg were driving over the mountain to Mercersburg, last Sunday evening.

Half an hour after bidding good by to his home folk, death in a horrible form came to Brakeman William F. Edmiston, of Altoona, Saturday evening at about 6:15 o'clock.

Hall and Kaul, the lumber operators on Fishing creek, about ten miles from Emporium, were heavy losers by fire this week.

Mrs. Catharine Wertz was attacked by a cow made mad by the intense heat, at her home near Madison, Westmoreland county, Thursday, and terribly injured.

With the lower part of his left leg crushed into an unshapely mass, the result of a railway accident Sunday evening, Oscar Pratzmann, aged 15 years, of Sunbury, hopped on one foot for nearly a square to a hospital ambulance.

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